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REQUEST FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION

Sir:

With reference to the Office Action dated November 3, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of the response term, from the present term of December 3, 2003, up to a new term of March 3, 2004. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-04-00 in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the fee for this three-month extension, or any required fees in excess of the amount submitted, or credit any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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